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WE THANK YOU

For the splendid business you have given us during the year, and please accept our best wishes for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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Compliments of the Season to one and all, not forgetting those who are "Over there." Let's all invest in Victory by buying War Savings Stamps REGULARLY, so that we may have them home before another year ends.

Atlas Lumber Co. Ltd.

H. R. Fitzpatrick Crossfield, Alberta

Greetings

Among our assets we like to count the only one money cannot buy — your goodwill — and so at this Festive Season we extend to you

HEARTIEST WISHES FOR A
VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

William Laut

The International Man

Telephone No. 9 : Crossfield, Alberta.

PROCLAMATION !

I hereby declare Tuesday, December 26th a Public Holiday and all places business in Crossfield will remain closed.

WM. WOOD, Mayor
Village of Crossfield.

* CHURCH SERVICES *

THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
Crossfield
ANGLICAN SERVICES

Christmas Day, December 25th
High Communion.....11:00 a.m.
Rev. F. C. MUNSON, Vicar

UNITED CHURCH
Minister: Rev. J. V. HOWEY, B.A.

Services in connection with the United Church for Sunday, Dec. 24th are as follows:

Tony Bryn at 11:00 a.m.
Crossfield — Sunday School at 11:00 a.m.

Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. when the choir will render a Christmas Pageant in song and story. The Sunday School in the morning will take the place of a Carol Service to which parents are invited.

A White Gift Service, conducted by the Sunday School was held in the United Church on Sunday evening last when children of the Sunday School, teachers and parents presented their gifts to the choir, later presented to children of less fortunate circumstances. Mrs. Howe senior, and Mrs. J. Hoover took them to Wood's Home for destitute children on Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. George Jones Honored on Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jones, popular young people of the district were honored at a surprise party on Monday evening. The local business men and thirty friends and neighbors dropped in on them on the occasion of their fifteenth wedding anniversary, and a present of \$150.00 was given to Mrs. Lee Ahleman and Chas. Whittaker, while Mrs. George Jones and David Hall, the maid of honor, dressed Doug Hall in a few well chosen words presented the bride and groom of fifteen years ago with a crystal vase inscribed with a touching address on behalf of those present. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones repaid fittingly.

After a sumptuous meal the company dispersed, looking forward to celebrating other anniversaries with George and Phyllis.

MATRIMONIAL

CUMMING - ROSS
Crossfield United Church, which was prettily decorated in pink and white streamers with white chrysanthemums and sprays of myrtle, was the setting for an early wedding on December 13th, when Violet Myrtle, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ross of Crossfield, became the bride. The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. David P. Cumming, also of Crossfield, Rev. J. V. Howe officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was in marriage by her father wore a floor length gown of white chiffon, with sweetheart neckline, her long veil was held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms and she carried a bouquet of delicate roses. Miss Dorothy Toole, cousin of the bride, was the bride's only attendant and wore a dress of powdery chiffon, with matching veil and carried a colonial bouquet of tall-mans roses.

Mr. Howe Ross was groomsman and Mr. Emmett and Mr. Leslie Ross were ushers. Mrs. E. Hoover playing the wedding music.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the parents for 25 guests. Assisting in serving were Mrs. Toole of Crossfield, Mrs. Wells and Mrs. J. Scour of Calgary. Rev. H. T. Howey proposed the toast to the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Cumming left later for Banff. For travelling the bride wore a two piece dress of aqua green crepe, with brown accents. On their return they will reside near Crossfield.

Local News

Bill Dulong left Monday to spend the winter in Old Ontario.

Rev. and Mrs. Howe will spend Christmas Day and the holiday visiting friends in the Calgary district.

The local Telephone Exchange have moved into their new premises the former Rosedale Municipal office.

Miss Margaret Gordon of Crossfield, was one those who graduated from the Calgary Normal School last week.

Wm. McCool of Youngstown, Alta., is visiting the members of the McCool clan in the district.

Rev. F. G. Musson, Vicar of the Church of the Ascension, was in town on Friday last visiting some of his parishioners.

Tuesday, December 26th (Boxing Day) will be observed as a public holiday and all places of business in Crossfield will remain closed.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bills will spend Christmas with relatives at Irricana. Foolish questions: "Have you used your liquor permit?"

Mr. and Mrs. F. Purvis left Tuesday for the holidays the Christmas and New Year holidays with friends in Fort Frances, Ont.

Leading Coal Alfie McCormick is spending his leave from H.M.C.S. Esquimalt, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCormick.

Mr. Price of the Telephone office held a Christmas Party at her home for her music pupils on Saturday evening last. Oh yes, and Santa Claus paid them a visit to . . .

The dance sponsored by the High Schools on Friday last was a great success. Over 1000 people of all school and older from all the surrounding districts were in attendance and a good time was had by all. Gordon McCormick.

A card party was held in the Tany-Bryn schoolhouse last Friday evening. Guests going to Mrs. Ralph Budgeman and Mrs. Frank Ruddy. The lucky ticket on the turkey was held by Gordon McCormick.

There is food for thought in an Honor Roll now on display in Crossfield. This was issued by the Crossfield Blood Clinic and shows the number of donors at the various towns they have visited. Crossfield and district always like to take pride in the fact that we are always amongst the leaders, but this time we are lagging far, far behind.

On Monday evening several members of Justice Rebekah Lodge No. 62 journeyed to Calgary to pay a fraternal visit. Sandstone Lodge No. 63 with two new members for Justice Lodge of Crossfield.

We have four birthdays to record on the 26th. Mrs. Ralph Budgeman

and Johnnie English all celebrate on December 25th and Percy Blough on the 31st.

Rebekah Christmas Party

Last Friday evening the Rebekahs held their annual Christmas Party in the Masonic Hall, entertaining their families, the Oddfellows and their families.

The room was prettily decorated in red, green and a Christmas tree, decorated and lighted made an attractive setting to hold our get-together.

Those contributing to the short program were: Helen Hurt, Marge Liley, Gordon Fox, Walter Liley and Walter Hurt.

The Committee, Mesdames Laut and Robinson kept the crowd entertained with stunts, games and contests for a few of the adults enjoyed a game of cards.

At eleven p.m. sixty people sat down to a sumptuous lunch which (which included Reindeer meat) cost 50¢ and just as good the thing. The Oddfellows had kindly furnished treats for the occasion consisting of fruit cake and cookies.

Immediately after supper Deputy Grand Master Fox acted as Santa Claus and distributed presents to the children young and old. The girls (who were responsible for this party) exchanged gifts and what fun ensued. Even our better members turned out for a "make-up" to last till next Christmas.

Everyone voted the evening a grand success and felt that the Rebekahs really know how to entertain.

Office Phone E5840. Res. Phone M3128

Dr. S. H. McClelland

Veterinary Surgeon

322-324 Stockyards Building

Calgary Alberta

LOST—A White Faced Steer about 18 months old, branded TT with quarter circle on left shoulder.

47-1200 THOS FITZGERALD, Crossfield.

Notice

POST OFFICE HOURS DURING THE HOLIDAYS

On Christmas and New Year's Day all mail both coming in and going out will be sorted and dispatched.

Wickets will be open between the hours of 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. ONLY.

Greetings...

Wishing you one and all

A Very Merry Christmas

and a Happy & Prosperous

New Year.

Wayne Heywood

Greetings

In appreciation of the patronage of our friends and customers, we extend to all, our good wishes for the Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

A. W. Gordon

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It Does taste good in a pipe

Picobac

The Pick of Tobacco

The Mining Industry

DURING THE WAR YEARS there has been a great reduction in the production of metal articles for civilian use. This is understandable in the light of the obvious importance of metals in the manufacture of arms and military equipment. Canada is now the largest metal exporting country in the world, and as such, has been able to make an outstanding contribution to the war program of the United Nations. Aluminum, copper and nickel are among the many metals that are of the utmost importance in warfare and Canada produces all these. Magnesium, a metal in great demand for the manufacture of aircraft, is also found here, and the development of its production has been one of the outstanding achievements of our war effort. Mercury production is another wartime development of note. Canada having opened the only large mercury mine in the British Empire. Since 1942, this mine has supplied all our needs, and provided enough for export to Britain and the United States.

Supply Exceeds Normal Demand

Figures given for the export of certain metals for war purposes. These figures show that at the outbreak of war, Canada contracted to send more than 1,000,000,000 pounds of aluminum, copper, zinc, nickel and lead alone to the United Kingdom each year. These amounts were increased when hostilities commenced in the Pacific and the United States entered the conflict. While the great volume of these exports has undoubtedly considerably depleted Canada's mineral wealth, there are indications that there are still vast deposits here which give promise of great development in the future. Many of these deposits lie in the area known as the North West, and it is likely that there will be numerous opportunities there for the opening of new mines, to replace some of those now exhausted by the demands of war.

FUTURE GROWTH IS IMPORTANT In recent years interest in the development of new mining sites in Canada has been limited. The Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy last year presented a report to the Advisory Committee on Reconstruction, showing the dates on which mines now in use, were discovered. This report revealed that 63 per cent. of the mines now in operation were opened before 1910; 11 per cent. between 1910 and 1920; 21 per cent. between 1920 and 1930; and five per cent. since 1930. Modern methods of discovering new mineral deposits have replaced those of early prospectors, and trained geologists, using electrical detecting devices, now locate new mine sites with speed and accuracy. Much of Canada's hope for the future lies in the continued expansion of the mining industry, which before the war gave employment to 107,000 people and contributed indirectly to the support of 1,200,000, or one-tenth of the total population.

Sherman Outclassed

Allied Troops Have Praise For Germany's Royal Tiger Tank

Many officers and men of the Second Armored Division in Germany, believe Germany's new "Royal" or "King" Tiger tank with its "super-guns" is the best tank in battle today.

"Our Shermans are all right in their class, but they are out-classed," is the way the men put it.

At least 23 Royal Tigers have been knocked out on this front, but the men who did it say it is a question of a lucky shot or simply overwhelming them with other tanks and tank destroyers.

The new Royal Tiger weighs between 67 and 72 tons, has a top speed of about 20 miles an hour, and its six inches of armor in front will turn Allied 75 and 76-mm. shells at ordinary distances. Armor on the side is two to three inches and on the back three to four inches thick.

It has a top speed, velocity 88-mm. gun with a shell almost a foot longer than any previously used.

The barrel of the 88 is more than 21 feet long.

Bamboo Cane

It Now Is Grown In England

And Scotland

"All around Britain a strange harvest is being gathered in—a harvest of bamboo cane. Before the war, only Cornwall grew this crop, but through the dying off of supplies from China and Japan the strong British cane has become of front-line importance. Its strength is the main reason why bamboo cane is indispensable for the support of heavy fruit crops. There are bamboo groves even in the north of Scotland where some of the finest canes grow. The cane dealers (usually also growers) will travel far to buy the cane the British want to buy the whole grove outright, so heavy is the demand for crop supports. Bundles of 100 canes, fully graded, are tied on a special bundling machine, a rack with a strong pedal, which ropes them together."

Beethoven, the great musical composer, showed signs of deafness

Milk Heals Wounds

Soviets Make A Paste Of Pressed Milk That Has Curative Qualities

Soviet scientists have developed a paste of pressed milk which is effective in curing wounds. In a Novosibirsk hospital where several men whose wounds healed very slowly, no vaccine blocking, ultra violet ray treatment, antiseptics, or penicillin cannot be used, no paste of milk has much value. The special milk paste was applied and the wounded were soon well again. During the Leningrad blockade, this paste was used in all the Leningrad hospitals.

Ordinary straight pins are among the rarest articles in Holland today.

Price Control And Rationing Information

Q.—Must I turn my ration book in when I am leaving to take up six months' residence in the U.S.A.?

A.—Yes. Anyone leaving Canada for a period of over 60 days must turn in his ration book. The rules of the Ration Administration and on his return apply at a Branch and he or she will be given a ration book.

Q.—My family recently commercially packed cranberry sauce from the cranberries I prepare. How many preserves coupons does a jar take?

A.—The preserves coupon must be surrendered for 12 oz. of cranberry sauce.

Q.—I understand that applications to local ration boards for ration books for babies may be filed in at hospitals. What about evaporated milk? Can the same regulations be applied to the evaporated milk diet?

A.—Yes, at the same time as application for a newborn baby's ration book is signed at a hospital, a request may be made for an evaporated milk diet. This provides the doctor's formula requires evaporated milk. And remember you can't get a ration book for the baby until it has been named.

Q.—I have seen a lot in the paper lately about the Standards division of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. I know the price of my garment did not worn well, will I send this to Ottawa?

A.—The first thing to do is to return the garment to the store from which you purchased it. This store may satisfy you with an explanation. If this is not satisfactory, send it with the bill of lading and the label showing the name, the one bearing the W.P.T.B. number or the manufacturer's mark. If you are not able to send the bill of lading, send the bill of sale, and the store from which you make your purchase and the date of the purchase. This information should all be sent to the Standards division in Ottawa.

Please send your questions or your comments to the telephone "Consumers' News" or the Blue Book in which you keep track of your ceiling prices, mentioning the name of this paper, the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office in your province.

War Brides

An Immigration Movement Of Considerable Importance To Canada

In spite of the number of "war brides" already in this country, about 21,500 of them, with 8,300 children, remain in Britain, and from 400 to 500 British girls are each month being added to the number. This points up an immigration movement of considerable dimensions. All of these newcomers to Canada whenever they arrive, deserve the warmest of welcomes, and that, we feel certain, will be given to them—Brookville Recorder and Times.

Buy War Savings Stamps regularly.

If you suffer MONTHLY FEMALE PAIN

You Who suffer such pain with tired, nervous irritable weak feelings—due to functional nervous disturbances—try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to relieve such symptoms. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helps nature. Thousands upon thousands of women have benefited. Follow label directions.

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Hard To Decide

What To Do About Channel Islanders Is British Problem

In a curious little backwash of the war lie the Channel Islands, the only British territory occupied by the Germans in this war.

The Channel Islands, with some 60,000 inhabitants, are a short distance off the coast of France, and they were occupied by Germany more than four years ago. The collapse of France and its occupation by the Germans presented the British Government with a problem—whether the islands could be successfully defended and, if so, were they of sufficient strategic value to justify the necessary expenditure of men, ships and material in the different circumstances of 1940. The decision was to evacuate the troops, but most of the civilians had to be left to take chances with the enemy.

So the Germans have occupied those pleasant islands for more than four years. Now the situation has changed sharply. The German garrison is not the same as it was when it was captured, nor reinforced, nor relieved. The islands now are not of the least strategic advantage to Germany. But there the Germans sit, 7,000 of them, according to a letter in the London Daily Telegraph—and what to do about them constitutes another problem.

The difficulty is that if the Germans are starved out we may be sure they will be the last to suffer privation—the islanders themselves will get scant consideration. The islands could be taken by assault no doubt, but such an operation would be directed at British property and would have to result in British lives. To attack with shell and bomb would take with extreme reluctance.

The Daily Telegraph writer suggests that the 7,000 German troops could be evacuated "with the honors of war" and returned to Germany, thus liberating the islands without a battle. He understands they are second-line troops, foreign conscript and so on, and of no great value in the defense of Germany, and he says that it would be better to let them go and return to the care of 60,000 British men, women, and children. From this distance there seems to be some point to the suggestion—Ottawa Journal.

Value Of Forests

Necessary For Our Continued Existence In The Future

We all depend upon the forest, wherever we are, for the natural guarantee of our continued existence as producers and consumers of the fruits of the earth. In the long run, if we don't conserve our forests we shall lose more than our forest industries, so called. We shall lose our living as farmers and food producers as well. In the long run, if we don't take care of our firs and pines and poplars, we shall make a desert where he can't get a living.

That has happened before in the history of men and civilization. They cut down their trees, more than they should have done, and they made a desert, and the wind blew the dust of the desert over all the memorials of their time on earth—Vancouver Province.

It is the volatile oil present in a cedar chest which kills moth larvae.

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CIGARETTE PAPERS
ON SALE EVERYWHERE IN CANADA
BLACK COVER — thin paper Slow Burning
13¢ per book
BLUE COVER Pure white Free Burning

May Learn Secret

Tirpitz If Salvaged Will Be Studied For Recovery Power

That the Tirpitz was still afloat after being twice torpedoed, once by the Russians and once by ourselves, and bombed at least half a dozen times, suggests that she was no less battleworthy than other sister ship, the Bismarck. The latter, it will be remembered, was an unconscionable time in sinking. Our naval construction experts will be rejoiced that the Tirpitz, unlike the Bismarck, has founded in shallow water. Air reconnaissance reports that she is bottom up with her keel showing. This gives promise of later salvage, and an opportunity to study what methods the Germans contrived to give such tremendous resistance power to these two ships.

Wing Cmdr. Tait and his gallant comrades have efficiently proved, however, that no naval Leviathan in existence, or likely to exist, is proof against a direct hit with a 12,000-pound bomb.

SMILE AWHILE

"Laura could have married anybody she pleased."

"Then why is she still single?"
"She never pleased anybody."

Woman (to neighbor)—"It's not till you marry a man that you find him out."

Mr. Neighbor—"That's right. It found till I'd married Harry that I found her to be a very night."

"What!" cried the irate husband. "You paid \$10 for that bunch of flowers and call it a hat? Why, it's a sin . . . yes, a sin!"

"Dearest," coaxed his wife, "let the sin be on my head."

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Amateur Performer—I can pick up a cent with my toes.
Bright Spectator—That's nothing. My dog can do that with his nose.

Constable (to motorist)—Take it easy; don't you see that sign, "Slow Down Here?"

Motorist—Yes, officer, but I thought it was describing the village.

Rustic—Ticket to London for the mouse.

Booking Clerk—First or third, sir?

Rustic—Sh! She's the third, but I ain't never told 'er about the others!

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I told her that each hour with her was like a pearl to me."

"And did that impress her?"

"No. She told me to quit stringing her."

Lady (at employment agency)—I want a good cook for my country place.

Manager—Miss Jones, have we anybody here who would like to spend a day or two in the country?

Explaining to his civilian friends his role in the artillery, a dusky soldier said:

"Ah opens big gun, puts in a big shell, closes gun, pulls de triggah, steps back and says:

"Mistah Hitlah, recount yo' army."

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"Your daughter has a great many admirers," said Mrs. Blidkin.

"Oh yes," replied Mrs. Blidkin, "she puts nearly all her window curtains on the rods with her old engagement rings."

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Mrs. Blow—How did you ever get a reference saying you were a perfect lady's maid?

Maid—I worked for a perfect lady once.

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"How many men shall I bow?" said the movie entertainer at the ballroom variety show.

"Bow?" said the stage manager.

"No bowing for you mate; you'll have to duck."

A yellow flag hanging from a ship's halyard indicates that there is pestilence aboard.

This Was Different

Traveller Appreciated Hotel In Ontario Town

It rained that afternoon in Oxford county—a slow, steady, misty rain which made everything wet, yet left little water on farm fields or city streets. I hopped off the bus and crossed the road to the hotel. The man who sleeps often, in these hostilities, can classify them when his fingers touch the latch. If the latch is loose the door rattles, so, too, does the hotel. Then you will woo Mordicus to the babbles of endless conversation, the tramping of many feet, the slamming of doors—and awake, at last, from fitful slumber, wishing that the hotelkeeper had never been occupied.

It was different here. The latch did not rattle, the door flowed smoothly to a cushioned stop. The rotunda looked restful. The lady at the desk was quiet and efficient. "Yes, there was a reservation for me, room 14." The stairs were carpeted, the carpet protected by a rubber-like covering. I knew what I would find before I opened the door. The room was small but neat and clean. Everything was arranged to give light where it was needed. There was a chair in the bed—a better place for a watch than under a pillow. There was a place to put your bag, a stick to prop the window open. The ash tray contained neither stubs nor ashes. The Gibson Bible was new, a half-morocco cover. Perhaps only saints slept here—he had used it little.

Said I to myself: "Here is a hotel run by a man who has slept in a hotel, before he owned one. I wish that could be said of all hotelkeepers."

LUCKY CIVILIANS

The United States 3rd Army released a large quantity of captured food to civilians of Metz. The booty was the winter reserve of the German garrison. It included 150,000 bushels of stored feed, 20 tons of frozen corn, 50 carloads of flour, another batch of 150 tons of flour, big stores of miscellaneous canned goods and quantities of cheese.

WHO SAYS WHAT

The office of war information says it isn't so that the Japanese cannot pronounce the letter "R". Exploding what it called a popular American fallacy, O.W.I. reported that it's the Chinese who can't pronounce "R", while the Japs can't say "L".

Tobacco was once used by Indians in middle America as a medicine and as incense in religious ceremonies.

HERE'S MY FEED PROBLEM

What should I look for when buying a hog starter to mix with my farm grains?

HERE'S THE ANSWER

Look for "Miracle" Sow and Starter Supplement. The name "Miracle" assures you that every ingredient in the bag has been scientifically tested for food value.

Mix "Miracle" Sow and Starter Supplement with your farm grains for the best results.

ASK FOR "MIRACLE" FEEDS

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RCAC Photo
A crying baby has no respect for rank or sex as these five Sergeants Major of the RCAC found when they were pressed into service as nurse maids for youngsters of British War Brides who recently arrived in Canada. Snapped by an R.C.A.C. photographer, the W.O.'s seem to be enjoying their job. They are, left to right, standing: WO2 J. M. Mills, St. John, N.B.; WO2 J. E. Montgomery, Toronto. Seated: WO2 J. V. MacLain, Montreal; WO2 L. G. Abbot, Camp Allico, Haney, B.C.; and WO2 R. L. Loveday, London, Ont.

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SPECIAL AIR SERVICE**Its Daring Members Have Made Great Contribution To Victory**

The highlight of adventure in this war, above all else, is the S.A.S., whose unfamiliar initials stand for Special Air Service, and the S.A.S. contribution to victory has been in inverse ratio to its numbers but not to its peerless daring, comments a London correspondent of the Ottawa Journal. Two young officers, Lieut. David Stirling, Scots Guards and Commando, and Lieut. Jock Lewis, Welsh Guards and Commando, obtained permission to form the S.A.S., whose badge is a winged dagger and motto: "Who Dares Wins". A training school was established in the North African desert, and trainees had to be parachutists, expert with all small arms and close combat, daring enough to leap from a vehicle going at 30 m.p.h., and enduring enough to march 100 miles with full pack. A start was made with 73 eager volunteers from the 8th and 11th Commandos, and the school was called "Stirling's Rest Camp". Operations by the S.A.S. began in the desert campaign, when they raided Luftwaffe airfields, shot up enemy strong-points, and generally did much damage behind the German lines. Getting back was more dangerous even than attacking. Because the Germans, pursuing their losses, pursued them by lighter planes. One party was attacked for 8½ hours without a single casualty.

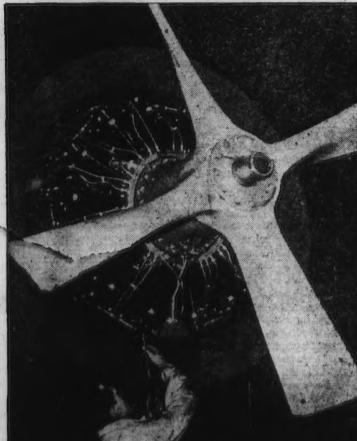
The first test made by the British Special Air Service was a fiasco, and cost half the gallant men involved. Another failure would have caused the banning of the venture, but there was not another. In Sicily and Italy, in Yugoslavia and Greece, S.A.S. gallants have performed astounding feats of individual single-handed valor and endurance. But it was in France far behind the German lines weeks before D-Day, that the S.A.S. achieved its greatest work. Splendidly assisted by the tough fighters of the Maquis, these S.A.S. knights-errant spread chaos and terror amongst the Germans, impeding their transport, destroying their fuel supplies, killing their transport riders, and causing widespread confusion and dismay amongst the enemy in all directions. Some day we may be told the story of these amazing deeds, unrivaled in their splendid gallantry and devotion, and then it will be known how vital a part the winged dagger badge played in paving the way for Patton's historic break-through from Normandy. The record of these tough guys challenges even that of the R.A.F.

WHERE THE FAULT LIES

Poor sermons may furnish the excuse for many (who do not go to church), but a poor one is better than none at all. There are many attractions in this age, but few falls away from worship. This is one of the problems of the modern church, and the cause may prove to be more closely identified with the pew than with the pulpit.

BEST CUSTOMERS

The Argentine Republic's best customers in 1942 were the United Kingdom and the United States, followed by Brazil and "other countries", the Argentine's annual report to the Securities and Exchange Commission disclosed.

Earth To The Moon

This Pratt and Whitney 1300 h.p. Twin Wasp engine travels the equivalent of 1,500 air miles on test, and never moves an inch. Here we see the engine after overhaul and testing at the Canadian Pratt & Whitney Aircraft plant, Longueuil, Que. when it has been proved ready to fly another 900 air hours. Experts calculate that if necessary, a Twin Wasp could fly past the moon before requiring major overhaul. At least, it could fly a straight-line distance exceeding that between the earth and moon.

French Soldier Taking A Prize Near Belfort

A French soldier makes a cautious approach to a German officer, who lies in a ditch wounded after French machine-guns fire wrecked his car (background) near Belfort, France, where the French 1st Army made the sensational breakthrough to the Rhine. There were three dead Germans in the car.

Jap Criticism**Propagandist Says United States Is A Barbaric Nation**

The United States, a Japanese propagandist told his countrymen in a broadcast, "is a barbaric nation unparalleled in the world."

The propagandist, Hiro Nakano, former New York correspondent of the Tokyo newspaper Asahi said he "stripped the mask of justice and humanity" from "the enemy Americans" to inspire a "feeling of hatred toward the American people."

In the broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission, he cited as evidence of American barbarism wrestling matches, black-face comedians, plays like "Tobacco Road," and actresses selling kisses for war bonds.

Nakano said he was "amazed at the bloody barbarity" of wrestling in America where "huge and terrible looking monsters" reportedly fought like animals and pitted against "good-looking athletic American youth. In the end, the good-looking youth completely defeats the monster who looks like a ghost, carrying out a cruel revenge."

He was shocked, too, by such "truly outrageous names" as Man-eater, Man Mountain, Champion of Hades, King Kong, or Gorilla Siberia."

NOT A MISTAKE

When a contingent of marines arrived home from the Pacific, one of the female greeters at the airport at Pittsburgh was surprised when one of a total stranger, gave her a hairy kiss. "Haven't you made a mistake?" she sputtered. "No, I haven't," he answered. "I haven't seen a woman for three years!"

Sir Charles Wheatstone of England is credited with inventing the harmonica in 1829.

From General "Ike"

When the grateful people of Britain presented Gen. Eisenhower with this beautiful doll, Gen. "Ike" immediately sent the gift to the Natural History building, Washington, D.C. Here Cornell Stewart, nine, of McLean, Va., holds the doll.

Just Two Words**Spoken By Two-Year-Old Boy Foiled Gestapo Agents**

Dutch Underground leaders disclosed how a two-year-old boy foiled Gestapo agents with two words.

The boy was the son of a famed Underground leader with a heavy price on his head. The Underground leader evaded the Gestapo by being constantly on the move, visiting his wife and child only by stealth.

During these visits the father taught his baby son the first two words he ever spoke. They were "Daddy dead."

The Gestapo made one last effort to trap the Underground leader just one week before the Allied liberators came. Thirty-five of them seized his wife and baby. The Gestapo agents, accustomed to daily acts of torture, sadism and barbarity, gathered around the little Dutch boy.

The first agent gave him candy. The second juggled him on his knee. The third and fourth told bedtime stories.

Finally convinced they had gained the child's confidence, the Gestapo stopped playing their grotesque game so their leader could ask a soft voiced question:

"Do you love your daddy?" "Daddy dead," was the reply.

Again and again the Gestapo men tried to coax information from their tiny victim. Finally their patience ran out. Their soft whispers rose to angry shouts. Always they received the same reply—"Daddy dead."

At the end of the hour, the Nazis gave up. They stamped out, leaving the boy sitting on the floor, solemnly sucking a piece of German candy.

WILL BE RESPONSIBLE

The French government has assumed full responsibility for alleviation of war distress within France and the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration is just standing by in case help is needed.

Herbert Lehman, U.N.R.R.A. chief, told a press conference at Paris.

Plywood House**Being Exhibited In Britain To Solve The Housing Problem**

A new type of plywood house is being exhibited in Britain with the double purpose of solving the post-war housing necessities and the tentatives of industry engaged in war effort. The sample house is chiefly made of Canadian birch plywood. It does not have a frame. It covers an area of 600 square feet. It can be prefabricated in eight sections and is designed to erect easily on a pre-cast concrete base. Construction is adapted to plywood aircraft methods.

There is an inner and outer plywood layer glued to an insulating core by a special synthetic resin. Such construction gives strength, rigidity and lightness with the added features of fire and heat resistance and sound insulation. The total production capacity taken into account in the factory makes such a house and 600 man-hours at the site of erection. Deck-housers on motor torpedo boats designed to stand up to years of service in heavy seas, were the inspiration for this design. Present factory capacity is about 100 houses a week. This can be stepped up to about 1,000 houses weekly when synthetic materials, interchangeable with plywood, are obtainable. As it stands, the house consumes less timber than a conventional brick house of similar size. Internal accommodations of the house are suited to the needs of the modern housewife in every detail.

Sinking Of The Atholl**How Rescued Passengers Gave The V-For-Victory Sign To Sub Commander**

The Daily Mail told of the sinking of the 20,000-ton Canadian Pacific liner, Duchess of Atholl in October, 1942, while en route from the Middle East to Britain with 826 persons aboard, many of them women and children.

Without a sign of panic, passengers abandoned the torpedoed ship in 21 lifeboats. The submarine surfaced and its commander gave the Nazi salute to lifeboat occupants near him.

"His answer was a burst of laughter from the children and the V-for-victory salute from men and women," said a survivor, Daniel Reynolds of Liverpool.

A United States army plane located the lifeboat fleet and a naval vessel raced to the rescue.

The Daily Mail noted that the 20,000-ton liner, Victoria of India was sunk by a German submarine in the Atlantic in November, 1942, while bringing United States troops to Britain.

The newspaper published two dramatic photographs of the ship in its death throes, one showing it swallowing heavily on its side and the other as it plunged to bottom, its bow high out of water.

Both photographs were taken from a rescue ship. No details of the sinking or the rescue of troops were given.

FOLLOWS CARAVAN ROUTE

Following the age-old caravan route from the Indian border to the interior.

China and its convoys are now carrying much-needed supplies from India to the Kashmir-Tibet border for transmission to the Chinese authorities.

At its maximum size, the average sun spot is about as large as the

Rural Electrification**Saskatchewan Is Planning Hydro Development In Northern Part Of Province**

Possibilities of rural electrification will be investigated by a committee to be appointed by the Department of Reconstruction and Rehabilitation. Hon. J. H. Sturdy announced in the legislature shortly before it adjourned. Other matters for investigation mentioned by the minister were: a horse processing plant, brick manufacturing plant, paint manufacturing in Saskatchewan with a view to a rural house painting program, and study of possible production of ceramics and clay products and manufacture of building materials from the province's products. In all, 76 bills were passed by the legislature, 10 of which were bills.

In regard to rural electrification, Natural Resources Minister Phelps announced at Prince Albert that a 15-year-old survey of the projected \$18,000,000 hydro development at Fort La Corne would be brought up to date by H. Acres, Niagara Falls hydro-electric engineer. Mr. Acres carried out the original investigation in 1931, reported at that time that development of a 125,000-horsepower project at the proposed site was "economically and physically feasible."

Mr. Phelps said the investigation would be conducted in line with government policies of industrial development and extension of rural electrification.

A Fast Thinker**Woman Employee Averted Collision Between Train And Plane**

A dramatic escape from death occurred of an old-time serial thriller at Chelmsford, Essex, when an Army Flying Fortress crash landed on the Southern Railway tracks at speed passenger train rounded the bend.

Fasting thinking by Peggy Parsley, an airlines employee, averted a collision. No one on train or plane was hurt or injured.

Five members of the Fortress crew were trapped in the plane when Miss Parsley heard the whistle of the approaching train. She dashed into a guardhouse at Douglas Airport, grabbed a house broom, lighted it at the stove and ran with the blazing torch through rain and fog. At the track a mile away she dashed the broom across the train to halt.

J. C. Milton, engineer on No. 39, said: "When the train stopped there wasn't room from the thickness of my finger between my train and that plane."

GOAT MEAT

Goat meat may not look so good, but to rationed Londoners it may taste mighty fine. London residents will soon be sampling it. A trial shipment is being sent from New Zealand.

In some parts of Scotland, the finding of a four-leaf clover denotes bad instead of good luck.

Fish For The United Nations

From the picturesque shores of the Gaspe Peninsula more than 3,500 fisherman put out to sea. Their annual catch totals more than 35 millions pounds of cod fish to swell the food and medical supplies of the United Nations. Cod is dried for overseas shipment thus saving valuable cargo space, while the livers yield prized, vitamin-rich oil. Canada has agreed to supply a hundred thousand gallons of cod liver oil to UNRRA in the year ending next July. The picture above shows cod fillets being cured with salt. It is one of a series of about a hundred photographs chosen to represent all phases of Canadian life to the other Allied nations. Collections have already been requested by Australia, Latin American countries, France, Great Britain.

SCIENCE IN POLITICS**Thinks Science Has A Place In Government Of The Country**

Sir Robert Watson-Watt, president of the British Association of Scientific Workers, made the suggestion in an address at Ottawa that "until we have taught the simple language of science to our politicians, we will have no healthy community." He also regretted the tendency on the part of scientists themselves to stand aloof from public life and keep too much to themselves.

Unquestionably Sir Robert, to use a familiar phrase, has got something there. It is almost certain that if our politicians were more devoted to the cause of pure science and spoke its "pure language", the world would be far better than it is today. But most of them are not thinking of other matters, such as policy and politics, to have much time for the physical sciences.

But perhaps there is a case against the scientists, too. They, by their research, discoveries and inventions, have made it possible to raise the standard of life in a civilized community to a level not contemplated before. But what is it that contributes so much to the frustration of organized society in this age of science? It is the denial to large numbers of people of access to the bounties of science.

Do scientists ever transfer their particular field of endeavor to the problems of economics, and particularly the problem of distributing the goods and services in whose production they have played so conspicuous a part?

It is suggested that if scientists devoted more time to the common problem of mankind and especially to the crucial one of people as consumers, science would enjoy a new flowering and scientists would be honored as they have never been honored before. —Ottawa Citizen.

War Weariness**Will Not Tempt Allies To Accept A Negotiated Peace**

Goebel is telling the German people that if they continue to resist the Allies they will increase the "already widespread war weariness in the enemy camp."

The Allies fear that if they can hold out long enough the Allies will become so tired of the war that they will accept a negotiated peace.

Against both over confidence and war weariness the Allies must steel themselves. They ARE tired of war. They didn't want it in the first place. Yet they are more tired of having to meet aggression every 20 or 30 years.

Goebel and the Japs notwithstanding, this time the Allies intend to fight it out when there is hope of an enduring peace. —Detroit Free Press.

The winter of 1933-34 was the third coldest of any since 1895 in England and Wales.

History Of The Science Of Horticulture In Canada Is Traced From Earliest Times

IN A REVIEW of Canadian Horticulture, M. B. Davis, Dominion Horticulturist at the recent meeting in Winnipeg of the Western Canadian Society of Horticulture, traced the history of the science in Canada from the time of the Indians; through the era of European settlement and the arrival of the Loyalists, to the present era into which Canada has but recently entered.

The Indians grew corn, pumpkins, and beans under a system of cultivation, and the still familiar Squash corn has been employed both as a variety and as a parent in plant breeding. As the pumpkin has never been found in a truly wild state, said Mr. Davis, credit could be ascribed to the Indian for its introduction into North American horticulture.

The second era of Canadian horticulture—that of the European settler, commencing with the French—was the real beginning of an attempt to develop agriculture in Canada. As early as 1632, it has been recorded that apples were being cultivated close to what is now Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, but none of the varieties used at that time is in existence today. From the efforts, however, of the French settlers have come one variety of apple, the Famine, apparently originating from seed brought from France.

The next stage of the development of Canadian horticulture came after the American Revolution when Loyalists came to Canada in considerable numbers and brought with them either the materials or knowledge that led to a rapid development of the fruit industry in Eastern Canada.

Coming to more modern times, the advent of the Dominion Experimental Farms in 1886 was one of the prominent features in the development of the science. Fruit breeding was undertaken at the start, but prior to that, the first director of the Farms, Dr. William Saunders, had already originated a line of black currants which are today the leading kinds. He also brought several gooseberries, such as Silvia and Josslyn, which have become standard sorts. He also brought Brighton and Count raspberries, which up to recent days have been the standard east sort.

Thus at the Central Experimental Farm in Ottawa, fruit breeding was early established, both to provide better hardy fruit for the potential fruit areas of Eastern Canada and for the Prairie Provinces. In 1898 Dr. Macoun of the Division of Horticulture embarked on an apple breeding program to originate a line of hardy varieties covering the season from late summer to late winter. Other landmarks in Canadian Horticulture were the establishments of forestry stations in 1903 and 1912, and the Experimental Station at Morden, Man., in 1918, followed by what had not been done before, the growth of all kinds of fruit in the Prairie Provinces. Before the advent of World War I, Canada was entirely dependent upon Europe for its vegetable seed supply. Now Canada is an exporter of vegetable seed.

In the field of plant culture and nutrition, progress has been achieved and Canada has made a noted contribution to the recognition of plant food excesses and deficiencies, and in the field of fruit and vegetable products, along the lines of original Canadian effort, canned fruit juices were developed; kiln dried fruit of uncertain quality was changed to a high-grade dehydrated product; the Canadian processed cheese industry was originated and developed; white vinegar was distilled from Canadian cider vinegar; and, as a result of Canadian research, a virile industry was established in dehydrated vegetables and fruits.

Getting Around It

German Farmers Have Way Of Beating Stern Nazi Decree

Owing to the shortage of fodder in Germany, a stern Nazi decree has just been issued requiring every hen to produce at least 70 eggs per annum. The official order has caused considerable consternation in the barnyards of the Fatherland, for Section 2 unequivocally states that if the egg production falls below the necessary total of 70 the hen-owner will suffer unpleasant consequences. Our own enlightened Department reports that, rather than take any chances in the matter, roast chicken, fried chicken, and chicken fricassees are becoming increasingly frequent items on the German farmers' menu—Christian Science Monitor.

In France, around 1483, a person convicted of selling bad eggs was placed on the pillory, and the eggs were given to children to throw at him.

So This Is Ice Cream



Three different and typically-childish expressions as three British youngsters enjoy the delicious flavor of ice cream for the first time. The ban on the manufacture of ice cream has just been lifted in England and these youngsters get a taste of the delicacy for the first time.

Red Cross Parcels

Food From Canadian Farms For Prisoners Of War

By arrangement with the British Red Cross Society, the Canadian Red Cross Society supplies two-thirds of all the food parcels sent to allied prisoners of war, except those from the United States. Clothing and medical supplies to Canadian, British and other Allied prisoners are supplied by the British Red Cross. Much of the food in the parcels originates on Canadian farms.

A total of 190,000 parcels are sent from Canada to prisoners of war every week. This year the cost will be, it is estimated, \$24,700,000, of which the Canadian Red Cross will pay \$5,500,000. The 190,000 parcels go to 80,000 British and Canadian prisoners of war in Europe, 80,000 for other allied prisoners in Europe, 30,000 for British prisoners and civilians in the Far East.

The parcels are not sent individually to prisoners, but are distributed by the International Committee in Geneva, Switzerland. The food in the parcels is intended to supplement the meager prisoners' diet. Each parcel weighs 11 pounds and contains—

16 ozs. whole milk powder
16 " butter
4 " cheese
16 " jam or marmalade
10 " pork luncheon meat
8 " salmon
4 " sardines or kippers
8 " raisins
8 " dried prunes
8 " sugar
12 " corned beef or other meat
16 " pilot biscuits
1 " salt and pepper
4 " tea
2 " soap
8 " eating chocolate

In the first ten months of 1944 the Canadian Red Cross had sent 13,797 parcels.

More Wild Fowl

Duck Population In Prairie Provinces Has Increased

Duck population in the Prairie Provinces and the Northwest Territories has increased from 30,000,000 to 140,000,000 since 1937, Mr. T. C. Main of Winnipeg, general manager of Ducks Unlimited, said in an interview at Edmonton recently. Figures are based on the census reports from 2,000 key men.

Airplanes do not have speedometers; they have air speed indicators, which record the speed of a plane relative to the air.

The condition among cows known as "salt sick" has been found to be caused by a deficiency of copper and iron in the diet.

Umbrellas were used in ancient Egypt.

Gas Chambers

More Than 60,000 Persons Were Suffocated In Poland

Six German underlings who worked at the notorious German "Death Camp" at Majdanek, Poland, have gone on trial at Lublin, Radio Moscow reported.

One defendant, Anton Kerman, was quoted as testifying that while he was employed at the camp more than 60,000 persons were suffocated in gas chambers.

Another defendant named Ottler, described how children of all ages, including infants in arms, were killed.

"The children were brought in trucks to the gas chambers," he said. "They were unloaded there. The children did not want to go to the chamber. They grasped that something was wrong. They had to be forced."

Among the victims at the camp, Ottler said, were British prisoners of war.

A prisoner named Mayer said that when he arrived at the camp he was told that about 200,000 persons had already been put to death there.

A Quality Ship

Minesweeper Built In Canada Has Stood Up To Everything

The English Captain of a Royal Navy minesweeper built in Canada says that "the people who built this ship can be proud of her. She has stood up to everything that came her way, believe me, she hasn't been idle." It used to be thought this country could not build quality ships.

The wartime service of scores of stout vessels built in Canadian yards by Canadian workmen making use of Canadian materials is decided proof to the contrary.

TRADE REVIVED

The major organ trade, for years almost a German monopoly, has been brought back by the war to the British firm which made the first mouth organ more than 100 years ago.

In the past three years this firm's output for the armed forces has risen from 10 a week to 7,000.

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Canadian Army Girls

Are Sending Toys For Bombed-Out English Children

Cuddly wool dogs, gay coloured giraffes, brightly painted yellow ducks and hundreds of other toys are going to march their way right into the hearts of hundreds of bombed-out English children this Christmas, thanks to the efforts of members of the Canadian Women's Army Corps Overseas.

Inspired by the success of their efforts last year, the Canadian Army girls have been busy for the past month with paint brushes and needles, and "free" evenings find them hard at work in their barracks sewing and stuffing toy materials supplied for the purpose by the Canadian Legion Overseas Services.

If the C.W.A.C.s was surprised at a request for 10 dozen assorted butts, or even china faces and coloured bits of gingham they did not show it, and it was not many days after the order had gone in that the requested materials were delivered to the barracks.

The C.W.A.C.s are taking a keen interest in their work and many who had little experience in sewing have learned with delight how simple the little toys are to make, and the competitive spirit between barracks runs high.

Three of the C.W.A.C. barracks are going even further in the plans for the youngsters. They are arranging for gaily decorated Christmas trees and a Santa Claus to hand out gifts.

To help the Canadian soldiers who have been saving their chocolate rations for the past months, and little "extras" from the precious box from home, have been tucked away in the hope that they will make the heart of some unfortunate English youngster happy on Christmas Day.

NOT MUCH TO ASK

Canadian Navy men overseas hope that every man will be given a furlough in Canada before being sent to the Pacific to fight Japan, Bishop G. A. Wells, senior naval chaplain, said in Toronto on his return from a three-month tour of navy battlefronts.

Canadian Lancasters Score 1,000



Pilots of the aircraft which flew the Moose Squadron's 1,000th sortie by Canadian-built Lancasters, shown here before taking off. The twin milestones were attained during a recent attack on war plants at Dortmund, in the German Ruhr. Flight Lieutenant Cliff Black of Yarmouth, N.S., and McAdam, N.B., is the pilot behind the bow gun, who did the 1,000th sortie, while Flying Officer Doug Griffith of Capreol, Ont., on the other side, was the pilot who did the 3,000th sortie. Looking on are Flight Sergeant L. E. Cromwell, Colingwood, Ont., left, the former mid-upper gunner, and Flying Officer F. C. Topp, Pluto, Saak, the latter's navigator. F.L. Black was formerly employed at Baie Come, Que., by the Ontario Paper Company and F.O. Griffith was a Canadian National Railways brakeman.

Says Total War Effort Of The British People Greater Than That Of Any Other Belligerent

INFORMATION MINISTER BRENDAN BRACKEN declared in London that "one tremendous fact stood out clearly" in the newly-issued White Paper on Britain's war effort—"that the total war effort of the population of Great Britain is greater than that of any other belligerent." We have not attempted to smother the British Empire," he told a press conference.

"Canada is the only Empire country from which we have received revenueless leases. With all the other Dominions we have made financial arrangements much less favorable to ourselves than the United States."

He said Britain's large gold reserves in the United States at the beginning of the war "have all been paid over and the money spent in building up American munitions industries."

"This expenditure," he added, "helped America to come into the war with her industries already on something like a war-time footing. We in Canada have rendered this service to the United States as a small return for her tremendous generosity to us."

Saying that Britain gave up its export business and converted the whole of its manpower to the making and using of war goods, Mr. Bracken asserted the report's "cramped statistics" illustrated the "courage and unexampled sacrifices of millions of British people."

"The Victorians," he said with a pride, "were proud to be called a nation of shopkeepers, but there never have been such shopkeepers as the British. No shopkeepers ever before sold out their entire stocks in order to fight."

"We have sacrificed most of our Victorian inheritance. What was the treasure of our grandfathers has gone, and it has been well and gladly sacrificed."

Mr. Bracken said there had been unexampled courage and sacrifice of millions of British people. More than 22,500,000 civilians have been moved since the war began. There is hardly a home in Britain where the family has not been broken up and scattered all over the earth, fighting or toiling in factories.

He recalled the mass movements of populations, the exodus from the cities and smaller towns, the evacuation of London, the direction of workers to factories far away in addition to the call-up for the armed forces.

This has been achieved under hard living and working conditions. Up to the end of August more than 5,500 factories had been damaged by enemy action.

The people who performed these prodigies of labor were fed on a monotonous ration and dull diet and had a constant worry about coupons, he added.

Taxation had reached the number of 25 cents of every pound. Something like a revolution had happened in Britain and the treasury had played the part of an urban and patriotic Robespierre.

"A lot of unfair criticism has been directed against John Bull's war effort," Mr. Bracken said. "We don't want to blow our own trumpet, particularly if anyone else will do it for us. Critics who have not gone through the agony of Britain under bombing and dull monotonous food ought to live here and they would not be quite so vocal."

What Britons had been able to do in these heroic years was a measure of the part they would play in rebuilding the world, he said.

Record Crossing

Non-Stop Flight From United Kingdom To Montreal

A new west-bound trans-Atlantic record has been established by Trans-Canada Air Lines. The time, 11 hours and 15 minutes, is half an hour faster than the previous record made by another T.C.A. aircraft.

The non-stop flight from the United Kingdom to Montreal was made in a big Lancaster piloted by Capt. J. R. Bowker, of Ottawa, a veteran T.C.A. pilot. Second Capt. M. Gauthier, Montreal, holds the distinction of being a member of the crew of both east-bound and west-bound record flights. He was second Captain on the record east-bound trip of 10 hours and 15 minutes.

Reduced Shrinkage

A non-shrinkable wool sock may be just around the corner. The United States Bureau of Standards has reported a new process which has reduced shrinkage in socks issued to the army to about five per cent, in contrast to about 20 to 25 per cent in unretorted socks. The process, involving calcium hypochlorite, also makes the socks last 60 per cent longer.

Miss Pin Up Girl



Done On Two Needles



by Alice Brooks

Keep the "chill" from the tots' mittens done on only two needles. Use two colors of sport yarn.

Simple pattern stitch quickly memorized. Pattern 7294 has directions for 4, 6, 8, 10-year sizes.

Buy a skein of worsted, twenty cents in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) to Household Arts Department, Winnipeg, Newspaper Union, 100 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Man. Be sure to write plainly your Name, Address and Pattern Number.

"Because of the slowness of the mails delivery of our patterns may take a few days longer than usual."

NEW RECORD

An R.A.F. transport command civil pilot flying a Canadian-built Mosquito flew from Goose airfield, Labrador, to Great Britain in six hours and eight minutes, setting a new record for crossing the Atlantic, a distance of 2,300 miles.

A total solar eclipse cannot last more than seven and a half minutes; an eclipse of the moon may last well over an hour.

MADAME RUSE DEFIED GESTAPO

Story Of A Belgian Woman Who Helped The Underground Press

Some day the whole story of the part played in the underground press by women will be told. At least all of it which does not lie unknown in those anonymous graves so hastily filled by Nazi reporters.

Many of the victims in the graves are women, and many died with resistance secrets locked within their minds. Some were rescued by patriots before the final shot was fired. Madame Ruse was one of these. Madame Ruse was kingpin of the who's set-up of one of the most important and brilliant underground papers, *La Libre Belgique*. The correspondents gave her their copy. They met her now in a cafe, now as if by chance at a store counter, again in a park or street.

Usually the articles were written by hand. Mme. Ruse typed them on a machine hidden in her house. Then she gave them to the editorial staff of the paper, then to the typewriter and to the printer.

The typist was always hot on the track of *La Libre Belgique* and the paper was never printed in the same place two days in succession. No one was more constantly exposed to danger than she was and no one was so well acquainted with the intricacies of getting the paper out.

Some months ago Mme. Ruse was arrested. She was first interrogated without being made to suffer too much. But she was given to understand that it would be much worse the next time if she refused to speak.

During the second questioning she was beaten with a rubber hose. The policemen struck her in the face with their fists. Pointed wooden sticks were inserted under her nails until she fainted. But she did not speak. She never spoke.

Eventually she was crammed into a train along with 2,000 other people to be taken to Germany. But the Belgian railway workers were on the look-out. They contrived to take three whole days to cover the distance of about 20 miles. The unfortunate prisoners were brought back to Brussels, and the advance of the liberating armies freed them.

A dazzling beauty before the war, young and lovely Mm. Ruse is now a broken white haired woman but she has brought comfort and courage to tens of thousands of Belgians for whom the secret and faithful voice of her paper was their only support in years that were as dark as human beings have ever endured.

Japanese Atrocities

Determined To Mete Out Punishment For Those Responsible

The Australian government has formally accused the Japanese military of torturing and murdering Australian service men and civilians of New Guinea and declared that every possible step will be taken to track down and punish the responsible parties.

Evidence of Japanese atrocities, compiled after an investigation lasting nearly two years, will be forwarded to London for action by the United Nations War Crimes Commission. Attorney-General Herbert Evatt told the House of Representatives.

Evatt said the investigation had uncovered proof that the Japanese massacred, tortured and maltreated New Guinea natives as well as Australian nationals during their occupation of the island. No specific instances of the atrocities charged to the Japanese were cited.

Sir William Webb, Chief Justice of Queensland, who directed the investigation, will proceed to London shortly to place a selected number of cases before the Allied Commission, Evatt said.

He asserted that national courts would not hesitate to deal with some of the atrocity cases, because ordinary court rules and procedure might not be adaptable to the extraordinary circumstances under which the crimes were committed.

Evatt made it clear, however, that the government is determined to leave nothing undone to insure the punishment of the Japanese responsible for these atrocities.

During the late glacial period, 15,000 to 26,000 years ago, Alaska was without ice, although glaciers covered most of North America.

The term rubber came into popular use in 1770 when an English artist observed the substance's capacity to erase pencil marks.

The Name Of Churchill

Means Much To Practically Every Country In The World

When the British press extended warm greetings to Prime Minister Churchill on his 70th birthday, the papers stressed they were voicing the sentiments of the country and the friends of freedom throughout the world.

As the Times of London phrased it: "Mr. Churchill has proved himself in the years of national unity a true national leader, not only in his appeal to the popular imagination and in the control of strategy but also in his mastery of the political scene."

"Along with enduring youthfulness, disarming humor and essential dislike of pretension and parade he has disclosed in all great issues an ever-increasing maturity of patience and tolerance which supply the reason why the loyalty of his colleagues in an all-party government has roots which go into something deeper even than the plain and fundamental duty of the hour."

The Manchester Guardian said:

"No British name has ever meant so much to men and women under every sky."

"Mr. Churchill was a greater man and spoke with a greater power when he took control of our fortunes because he had spent those lonely years brooding over the coming danger and thinking only of the fate of his country and of Europe. All the force of his character, disciplined by adverse fortune, by ambition, all the strength of his talents, were absorbed in his task of leadership."

"Whatever the future that awaits him he has lived his finest hours."

Better Than Carrots

R.C.A.F. Medical Officer Says Oranges Improve Seeing At Night

There would appear to be interesting possibilities in the discovery made by a high officer on the medical side of the Canadian Air Force concerning the usefulness of oranges in improving the power of seeing at night. He suggested that this might be of value when peace returns in reducing the toll of the roads. It seems possible that what is now the ominous phrase "one of the road" may take on a different significance in the future. The oranges of an evening's entertainment may have oranges served to all who are about to drive cars. Public houses might even be required to stock oranges for the benefit of customers. Employers of lorry-drivers might have a statutory obligation to keep them supplied with oranges and we may yet see taxi-men on the rank sucking oranges instead of smoking cigarettes. It is true that difficult problems would arise in the event of such a shortage of oranges as we have had in the last five years. It would be an invidious task to decide whether it were better to let the children have the oranges in order to build up their health or to give them to drivers of vehicles in order to save, potentially at least, the lives of the children from being cut short.—Manchester Guardian.

Market For Beef

Producers Are Assured Of Demand For Beef In Britain For 1945

Producers of beef in Canada are assured of a market for all surplus beef in Britain for the year 1945, states Hon. James G. Gardiner, Dominion Minister of Agriculture. He was referring to the statement made in the British House of Commons on November 15th by the Minister of Food, to the effect that Canada will supply a minimum of 50,000,000 lbs. of beef in 1944 and 1945, but that the United Kingdom will purchase a minimum of 112,000,000 lbs. in 1944, 144,000,000 lbs. in 1945, and will be asked to take additional amounts of available supplies.

Mr. Gardiner explained, "It has been the policy of the Dominion Government since early in the war to have a clause in the agreements with Britain read 'not less than' a given number of pounds. The beef agreement was the first departure from this in that a maximum as well as a minimum was set." The statement made by Colonel Llewellyn removes the maximum limitation and in effect says to Canadian producers there is a market in Britain for all surplus beef for the year 1945."

ARMY SURGICAL UNITS

Major Angus McLaughlin, St. Thomas Rhodes scholar who recently returned from overseas to become head of the surgery department at the University of Western Ontario, said in an address that the Canadian Army Mobile Surgical units in use in France, Belgium and Holland are the best equipped on the Western Front.

The tips of a propeller moving at top speed often surpass the speed of sound.



Good Canadians... Three

The Recruiting Officer in Winnipeg got the surprise of his life when this trio walked in and asked to enlist. For service anywhere? Their mother is in China. They have not seen her since outbreak of war. And they are determined to find her so they enlisted to fight either Jap or Hun. Sons of Henry Lee, restaurant owner of Souris, Man., they are, left to right: Alfie, Jimmy and Willie. The three Chinese-Canadians enlisted the same day when they were "old enough to fight", they explained. And they took the hard way... Infantry.

—Canadian Army photo.

Livestock Farming

Is Being Increased In All Provinces Of Canada

Hon. Duncan Marshall, Ontario's minister of agriculture, says Canada's cattle population is now placed at 10,346,000, slightly over 10 per cent. more than we had a year ago. Ontario leads the provinces with 2,744,800 head of which 1,187,600 are milk cows. Alberta leads in pigs and swine, having a little over a million sheep and 2,275,000 pigs. Ontario is second with 1,900,000 pigs and 737,000 sheep. All the provinces in Canada are getting their feet firmly set in livestock farming. Ontario is first in hogs, Alberta in cattle, Saskatchewan being second with 194 million. We are not likely to go short on milk, meat, eggs and wool, and kindred products. This should be sound business if the world's people are to be offered freedom from want.

Nearly half of all pedestrian deaths occur away from regular crosswalks.

Nazis Drag In Their Wounded



Oblivious of his rough treatment a badly wounded and unconscious Nazi prisoner of war is hauled along on a tarpaulin by unbound companions as they surrender to troops of the American Third Army outside Pouilly, France.

Searching For Snipers In Geilenkirchen, Germany



Three Allied Infantrymen advance on a house suspected of being a sniper's nest during the mop-up operations in Geilenkirchen, Germany. The town was taken in a brilliant joint action by the British Second Army and the U.S. Ninth.

HOLLANDER SAW V-2 BOMB LAUNCHED

Dutch Clerk Tells About Germany's New Aerial Weapon

From a grandstand seat on the roof of a home in Ryswyk, near The Hague, a Dutch clerk watched the Germans launch their new aerial weapon, V-2 against England.

The Germans chose a spot about a quarter of a mile from the Hollander's grandstand seat as one of the sites for launching the V-2. The houses next the site were cleared of their tenants. The area around was put under SS guard. But the young Dutchman crawled up on the roof of a house and waited. For nights he kept his vigil, with his heels hooked in the eaves.

Then on the evening of Oct. 22, there was a tremendous explosion from the launching site, like a gigantic cannon being fired. The town of Ryswyk was bathed in a weird red and white light. A projectile shot up into the air and disappeared like a spark from a flint. The people of Ryswyk panicked.

After V-2 had been launched for several days, all the trees around the launching site were scorched and the buildings were blackened as though they had been burned. Night after night he watched the launching. He thinks now the V-2 was actually launched with its line of flight almost directly away from England. He says it seemed to turn after it was launched and then off at an unbelievable speed on its target course. He thinks the alteration in course came after the projectile was 9,000 or 10,000 yards in the air.

Rental Restrictions

Prices Board Issues Order Governing Sale Of Tenants' Furniture

New rental restrictions, designed to check evasion of rent control through the sale or rental of furniture, charging of commissions or collecting of excessive deposits, have been announced by the Prices Board.

The new order prohibits any person from charging or demanding payment of a commission or reward from a tenant and not more than one month's rent may be collected in advance.

To prevent exploitation of tenants through the sale of furniture at excessive profits, the order prohibits any person offering housing accommodation for rent from selling or renting furniture to a tenant unless the price or amount of the furniture has been set by the rental appraiser.

The order also provides against any new racketeering practice by giving the rentals administrator authority to issue special directions if "unreasonable or unjust" conditions are imposed on a tenant.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

TIME

There are no fragments so precious as those of time, and none are so heedlessly lost by people who cannot make a moment, and yet can waste years.—Montgomery.

Regret for time wasted can become a power for good in the time that remains. And the time that remains is time enough, if we will only stop the waste and the idle, useless regretting.—Arthur Brisbane.

Time past and time present, both, may pain us, but time improved is eloquent in God's praise.—Mary Baker Eddy.

In eternity there is no present, In eternity no future.

In eternity no past.—Tennyson.

Dear Land to which Desire for ever flees;

Time doth no present to our grasp allow;

Say in the fix'd Eternity shall we seize

At last the fleeting Now?

—Bulwer-Lytton

Beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.—II Peter 3:8.

THE REAL MENACE

Whether Hitler lives or is in the clutch of madness doesn't really matter. The foul thing he spawned still lives and menaces the world. Nazism remains just as black when headed by a Hitler or a Goebbels as by a Mussolini or a Mussolini.

It must be said if humanity is to enjoy peace and security,

TIP FOR JAP FLEET

To heighten that illusion of advancing boldly in retreat, the clever Japanese could fit their navy with a front on either end, like ferry boats.

A tire on a wheel which is only one-half inch out of alignment is dragged sideways 87 feet every mile the car travels.

WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Capt. James Sidney Critchley, pioneer motorist who took King Edward VII for his first motor ride, has died at the age of 79.

The naval ensign flown at Cap Gris Nez by the commander in charge of the 18-inch cross-Channel gun battery has been given to Folkestone.

Canadian Universities will have a high priority in the allocation of surplus war materials, officers of the war assets corporation said at Winnipeg.

Shoe repairs now cost a little more in Britain. Repair shops have been permitted to increase their prices by one-half cent in 25 cents.

Maj.-Gen. Edward Owen Hay, C.B., believed to be Britain's oldest general, celebrated his 98th birthday at Tunbridge Wells, England.

The first group of blinded soldiers recently arrived in England from France are being instructed by blind-ed veterans of the First Great War.

A Chinese seaman was sentenced to four months in prison for importing into Britain nine pounds of opium, enough in the judge's opinion "to stock a good den."

During the first year after she was commissioned, the new "V" class destroyer Vigilant crossed the Arctic Circle 17 times and spent 271 days at sea.

To take advantage of Anglo-Russian trade relations after the war, the Manchester Chamber of Commerce has set up a Russian trade section for which there has been widespread support.

Problem Of Supply

Plan For Servicing Invasion Army Worked Out By Women

It is estimated that there are from 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 Allied troops directly in the fighting line against the Germans in France, Belgium and Holland, and another 500,000 performing auxiliary work. Now that we are in the war, the question arises whether there is not a place for women to initiate such programs and to stimulate the support of these programs after they have been established, was expressed in a resolution adopted at the recent 25th annual meeting of the Health League of Canada at Montreal.

It was stated in the resolution that the health of every man, woman, and child in Canada had largely resulted from voluntary activity on the part of interested citizens and that expenditures by governments on health in contrast to the cure of preventable disease depended upon public opinion.

Another resolution which was approved stated that the health of every man, woman, and child in Canada is of importance to the strength and the future of the Dominion. It urged the continued co-operation of the Dominion with the provinces and the provinces with one another to the end that health throughout the nation be placed on as high a level as possible.



Rail Workers Set All Canada Loan Record

In the Seventh Victory Loan, the largest aggregate subscription to be made by any group of employees came from the men and women of the Canadian National System. Investing \$13,733,550 they exceeded their Sixth Loan record by \$4,606,450 and set a new record for all Canada. Including

employees of Trans-Canada Air Lines and National Railways' Munitions Limited, there were 90,779 subscribers,

\$4,11 more than in the previous loan campaign.

Total subscriptions by Canadian National employees in the seven loans amounted to \$49,785,250. With pur-

chases of Victory bonds by the Company, aggregating \$90,556,900 the grand total was \$140,342,150.

The photograph, showing a cross-section of C.N.R. workers gathered about the Railways' newest 6060-type engine, is symbolic of the Railways' united effort. Train crews, shop forces, roundhouse workers, office and station staffs, maintenance of way and yard workers, telegraph, express, carriage, hotel and steamship workers—men and women all over the Dominion threw themselves enthusiastically into the campaign.

Before the loan ended, they were away over the top.

R. C. Vaughan, Chairman and President of the National System, when the final returns were in, issued a message of congratulations to the 2,500 volunteer canvassers and their 91,000 fellow employees on their record performance.

D. C. Grant, Vice-President in charge of finance and accounting, headed the system campaign organization. The loan drive in the Railways' three regions—Atlantic, Central and Western—was personally supervised by the vice-presidents in charge, J. P. Johnson, J. F. Pringle, and W. R. Devenish respectively.

Must Pay Price

Wodehouse Not Smart Enough To Know Germans Used Him

P. G. Wodehouse, a British writer who has widespread reputation for his humorous fiction, probably is a fool, rather than a person of Nazi sympathies.

Wodehouse has been quoted as saying he had no "belligerent feeling" towards the Germans—and obviously England is no place for him now. Britain has no time or patience for literary geniuses who don't yet know what the war is about. But Wodehouse seems more a simple-minded fellow than a villain. He was not smart enough to realize that the Germans gave him freedom in Germany and let him broadcast not because they were good fellows, or because they liked his books, but because he had something to say which would have value as propaganda. However innocently Wodehouse got into the mess he let himself be used by the Germans and now he must pay the price in the contempt of decent people—Ottawa Journal.

HATCHERY FOR RED DEER

A new type, fully automatic hatchery with a capacity of 65,000 eggs is to be established in Red Deer in the near future, according to Mr. E. G. Leamond, proprietor of the Red Deer Hatcheries.

Secretary Of State



Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., who succeeded Cordell Hull as U.S. Secretary of State. Stettinius, born in Chicago, is 44. He made a reputation as a "boy wonder" in big business before he was 30, at which age he served as chairman of the board of directors of the U.S. Steel Corporation. One year ago he entered the state department as undersecretary. He is married and has three sons.

The Australian phalanger is the only known animal with green fur.

Health LEAGUE of CANADA presents TOPICS of VITAL INTEREST

HEALTH PROGRAM

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Story From Norway

How Small Children In School Helped To Outwit Nazis

Theodor Engen, writing in "Time and Tide," a magazine in his native Norway, records a moving little story from the illegal press which shows how the age limit for responsibility and discipline has become abnormal during the occupation by the enemy. It was during the school struggle. When the turn of the teachers came, their leaders were taken first. In one school the headmaster was forced to tell the police in which class a certain teacher was working. When they came to arrest him, all the small children were sitting down working busily, without any teacher. It transpired that he had been warned and had got away. The teacher, however, the children had gone to their classroom as usual and not even the noisiest noise revealed that no teacher was present.

It is not generally known that the problem of working out what the invasion armies would need was done by women. The job was given to 20 British university women who were skilled as actuaries. They spent a year on their task, and had everything figured out to the last tick-tack. They and the men who carried out the job, have played a tremendous part in the "Second Front"—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Alberta Coal

Syndicate Acquires Property West Of High River

A syndicate of Canadian, British and American financiers has acquired extensive coal properties along the Highwood River, west of High River, Alberta, and is to develop a mine there in the near future for an initial expenditure of \$2,000,000, Mr. R. O. Sweeney, Montreal financier, announced recently.

REDUCE SHRINKAGE
A non-shrinkable wool sock may be just around the corner. The United States Bureau of Standards has reported a new process has reduced shrinkage of wool socks issued to the army to about five per cent, in contrast to about 20 or 25 per cent for untreated socks. The process, involving calcium hypochlorite, also makes the socks last 60 per cent longer.

Tin was the first mineral mined in England.

2598

Lady: "Please cash this check for me."

Teller: "Sorry, it isn't endorsed."

Lady: "But it's made out to me and signed by my husband."

Teller: "Yes, I know, but since it's payable to your order, you must endorse it on the back so we can show your husband you received the money."

The lady retired to the nearby writing counter and ultimately returned triumphantly with this unique endorsement:

"Thank you, Harry,
Your devoted wife,
HORTENSE."

The world's only producing emerald mine is located in Colombia.

Post-War Tourist Trade

Cannot Be Built Up Without Considerable Effort

The Brooklyn Recorder and Times says we cannot expect that Canada's post-war tourist trade will come in without effort or considerable expense because there is every evidence that other countries will be seeking tourist business just as intensively as we will seek it and for similar reasons.

The tourist dollar represents net gain to the country in which it is spent and there will be few parts of the world which will not welcome it with open arms in order to bolster their economies after the war.

As a matter of fact, there is already ready every sign that our competitors for this business, including countries overseas, intend to go after it in a most thorough manner.

However monkeys have sounding boxes in their heads which amplify the voice and send it rolling for miles through the South American jungles.

Curious Place Names

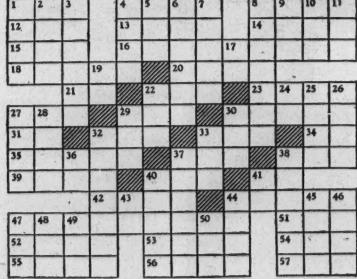
Some Have Been Brought Into Prominence During War

Surely one of the most curious place names to be brought into prominence during the war is "s'Hertogenbosch," which inevitably gets into despatches and even into some news stories as "s'Hertogenbosch." This capital of North Brabant in Holland owes its name to a Duke of Brabant who founded it in 1184 in a wood; hence "s'Hertogenbosch, the Duke's wood or Bois-le-Duc as the French call it. It is also known as s'Boesch or den Bosch. For a shorter odd one, there's the river IJ in central Finland.—Toronto Daily Star.

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x-x OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE x-x

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- 5 Goddess of discord
- 8 Japanese drink
- 12 Cheer
- 13 Nurse deity
- 14 Substances used to neutralize bacteria
- 15 Anglo-Saxon money
- 16 Yielding little
- 18 Inasmuch as
- 20 Dose
- 21 Photo scale
- 22 Beverage
- 23 Goddess of discord
- 27 Some
- 29 First woman
- 30 Mythical creature
- 31 Butterly
- 32 American author
- 33 Cow genus
- 34 Carols
- 35 Slang: pistol
- 36 Siamese
- 37 Chalice
- 38 Sloths
- 40 Scoundrel
- 41 Four
- 42 Hot
- 44 Wide-awake
- 47 To divide
- 51 Negative vote
- 52 Cry of alarm
- 53 Lamb's name
- 54 Trap
- 55 Silence
- 56 Gull-like bird
- 57 Holland commune
- 58 Last part
- 59 Effect
- 60 Girls
- 61 Good by
- 62 Bitter vetch
- 63 Japanese measure
- 64 Absurd to
- 65 Gold
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- 67 Sable
- 68 Trunk
- 69 Resin
- 70 Pame
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- 24 Artificial language
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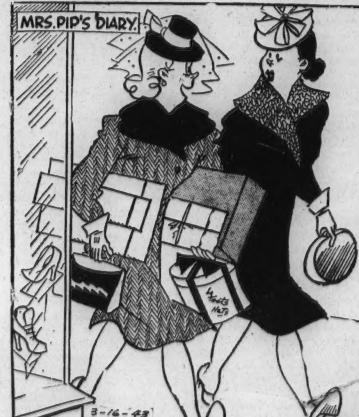
By William Ferguson



ANSWER: The tails break off easily but cannot be rejoined.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



"I feel free to spend some money... In helping Henry figure out his income tax, I learned that he's been getting exemptions because of me ever since we've been married."

REG'LAR FELLERS—Wartime Hardship



Take this opportunity to wish each and everyone
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
 — and a —
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR.

Crosfield Meat Market

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Extending to our Friends and Customers an abundance of good wishes for Christmas and may the New Year be full of prosperity.

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WISHING YOU ONE AND ALL A
VERY MERRY CRISTMAS
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Fred Becker

SHEET METAL WORKS

Once again nearing the end of the year, our wish is that Christmas Season will bring you good health and happiness, and a full share of all those things which make the world a better place to live. And with new hopes that we may see the dawn of peace on earth and good will among men this coming year.

Oliver Hotel

R. A. BULLOCK, Proprietor.

Greetings....

To all our patrons and friends we wish a

VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
 — and a —
HAPPY NEW YEAR

and thanking them for the patronage that has been enjoyed during 1944.



Crossfield Garage

FRED BAKER and BILL (W. H.) WALKER
 CROSSFIELD ALBERTA



Greetings...

It is glorious at this Christmas time that our hearts are lighter and our spirits are higher, because Victory and the dawn of new peace seems nearer.

It is a pleasure to extend to you and yours a Merry Christmas and may 1945 bring peace to the world — multiplying your share of health and happiness.

Steve's Store

Crossfield Alberta



At this season of the year, inspite of the difficulties brought on by war, it is pleasant to think back over the many happy associations we have had with our many friends and customers during the past. We are glad to have this opportunity to extend to you our sincere wish for

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
 PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY
 NEW YEAR.**

— FROM —

W. J. Wood

Crossfield

Alberta

LOST — Chrome plated special hub cap for 1937 Ford. Phone R304 Wm. Bills for reward. 46-47P

GENERAL TRUCKING WANTED.
 FRANK L. PRIEST, Madden, Phone

NO CHRONICLE ON

DECEMBER 29

This year the Chronicle will not publish an issue on December 29. With Christmas Day on Monday and Boxing Day on Tuesday, to get out a paper on Friday would mean working in the part of the holidays.

Wishing our readers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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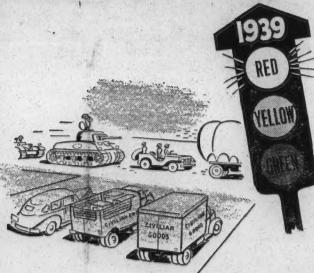
Let us face our common future with the same high hearts of those brave ones who fight our cause across the sea. In this spirit, we wish you once again

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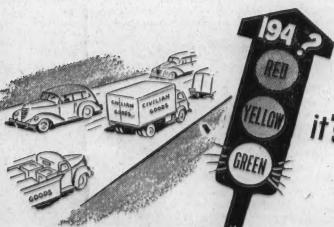
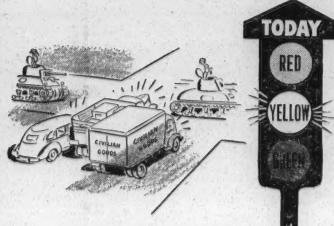
Crossfield U.F.A. Store

"I must warn the House and Country against any indulgence in the feeling that the war will soon be over"
 WINSTON CHURCHILL
 in the British House of Commons
 November 28th, 1944

DON'T CONFUSE THE SIGNALS



don't jump the YELLOW light



it's NOT the green light yet

War came. The manufacture of most civilian goods had to be cut down or stopped to make way for war production. That caused shortages of civilian goods — that was the RED LIGHT

Some restrictions are now being lifted, but it does not mean lots of goods right away. War's demands are still huge and must come first. We can't neglect them just so that some of us here at home can get a little more.

Don't confuse the signals — (This is the YELLOW LIGHT ONLY).

It means a little more of some things and it helps business men get ready for the time when there will be more materials and workers available.

It does not mean the end of shortages!

Getting back to peacetime production will necessarily be piecemeal and gradual.

"Patience" is the word.



Only after Victory over both enemies can the Green Light be switched on, and the road cleared for enough production to meet all our civilian needs.